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Mammoth Bar Area Closed June 6-11 For Road Repair & Restoration Work

AUBURN -- California State Parks announced today that the Mammoth Bar OHV area will be closed Monday June 6th through Saturday June 11th for repair and resealing of the entrance road and for soil erosion restoration work. Mammoth Bar is located on the Middle Fork American River in Placer County in the Auburn State Recreation Area. The area will be reopened for use at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday June 12th.

"We will be repairing potholes and resurfacing the entrance road," said Acting Park Superintendent Mike Lynch. "We regret the inconvenience to the public during the closure, however the road repairs are much needed," added Lynch.

During the closure, a long planned restoration project will also be completed. "To meet OHV soil erosion standards, three trail segments will be blocked and various restoration efforts will be accomplished on the sites," said Lynch. Lynch added, "This is part of a long-term effort to bring the Mammoth Bar OHV trails up to OHV soil erosion standards." "The current project is a result of several environmental reviews dating back to 1997 and the requirements contained in a lawsuit settlement," said Lynch. As a part of the restoration project, OHV use will be discontinued on an extremely steep portion of the Castle Rock Trail and on the Indian and Chaparral trails. As a part of this effort a Negative Declaration process, including public input and comments, was completed in February 2005.

Mammoth Bar is located off the Old Auburn-Foresthill Road, approximately two miles west of the Foresthill Road. During the summer months, the area is open from 8:00 a.m. until one-half hour after sunset. OHV riding is allowed in the area on Thursdays, Sundays and Mondays, during the summer months.

For additional information on the Mammoth Bar closure or the Auburn State Recreation Area call 530-885-4527.

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